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BCARS Members check out the Weather -

Five members of BCARS traveled to La Vale, MD to attend the **SKYWARN Weather Spotter** training sponsored by the Cumberland ARES-RACES. The program was presented by the Warning Coordination Meteorologist Chris Strong of the NWS Field Office in Sterling, VA. The comprehensive program covered all aspects of hazardous weather recognition, NWS Radars, websites and notification methods. Strong stressed that accurate information from the ground is essential to NWS accurate forecasts. The attendees learned reporting methods, rain and snow measurements and wind speed results.

Every participant who attended will be issued a National Weather Service ID number which will be used for location purposes when reports are received.



Steve – KC3DNB at SKYWARN

The presentation benefited the Baltimore/Washington service area. However, BCARS members SKYWARN information will be managed and collected by the State College NWS Field office. Members of BCARS who attended on 11 March, 2015 were: Steve – KC3DNB, Lloyd -K3QNT – John – KB3DFZ, Bill -KB3HUA and Steve – KA3UDR.



**NWS Meteorologist Chris Strong
SKYWARN Instructor**



**KB3DFZ – KA3UDR & KB3HUA
Attending SKYWARN Training**

SPRING has Sprung!

The weather change reminds us of the our annual upcoming public service events such as the MS Bike Race, Bloody Run Canoe Classic and lots of others coming up this spring and summer. Keep an eye on our BCARS Email Blast for details. In the event you are not getting notices, contact John – KB3DFZ and he will show you how to sign up.

Let me Repeat this...

On Sunday, April 19th, beginning at 12 Noon, the Western Pennsylvania Repeater Council will hold its quarterly meeting right here in beautiful downtown Bedford. Repeater council, liason KA3UDR urges you to attend and show the flag.

Ham in a Day Returns

If you need to upgrade or know someone who wants to join the wonderful world of Ham Radio, the next ***“Ham in a Day”*** is Friday-Saturday 24 & 25 April.

Remember.....
If you have any news for the S*H*O*R*T*S, contact:
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